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PLEASE DELIVER FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM SECRETARY TO
SECRETARY GENERAL AT EARLIEST CONVENIENCE:

DEAR KURT:

I HAVE YOUR LETTER OF JULY 10 AND SHARE YOUR REACTION
REGARDING THE MISINTERPRETATION OF YOUR REMARKS
CONCERNING THE ISRAELI OPERATION TO RESCUE THE HOSTAGES
IN UGANDA. I KNOW ONLY TOO WELL THE DIFFICULTIES THAT
CAN BE CAUSED BY AN ERRONEOUS PRESS REPORT; HOWEVER, I
AM CERTAIN THAT YOUR CLARIFICATION OF JULY 8 WENT A LONG
WAY TO DISPEL CRITICISM BY MAKING IT CLEAR THAT YOUR
REMARKS WERE TAKEN OUT OF CONTEXT.

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I AM AWARE OF ALL YOU DID ON BEHALF OF THE HOSTAGES FROM THE AIR FRANCE FLIGHT. YOU HAVE MY SINCERE APPRECIATION FOR THIS AND FOR THE EFFORTS THAT YOU MADE ON BEHALF OF THE CONDEMNED MERCENARIES IN ANGOLA.

I SHARE WITH YOU THE HOPE THAT THE RESULT OF THIS AFFAIR AND THE CURRENT SECURITY COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE NEW AND EFFECTIVE MEANS OF DEALING WITH INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM. WE ARE GIVING SERIOUS CONSIDERATION TO WHAT STEPS THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY MIGHT TAKE TO DEAL WITH TERRORISM, AND WE UNDERSTAND OTHER GOVERNMENTS ARE THINKING ALONG SIMILAR LINES. WE WILL BE IN TOUCH WITH YOU ON THIS MATTER AND LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR COUNSEL AND SUPPORT. WARM REGARDS, HENRY.

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